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SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

SBN 2988 "AN ACT CREATING THE OFFICE FOR THE PROTECTION OF ELECTRICITY CONSUMERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP; ENERGY; and FINANCE*

SBN 2989 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA FOR WORKERS IN THE ENERGY SECTOR OF THE PHILIPPINES, AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTION AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on ENERGY; CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and FINANCE*

SBN 2991 "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTER-AGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE THAT WILL ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF UNDERAGE DRINKING"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; YOUTH; and FINANCE*

SBN 2992 "EQUAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITY ACT"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES; and JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS*

SBN 2993 "AN ACT DECLARING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INTEGRATE THE HISTORICAL AND ANALYTICAL ACCOUNT OF THE PHILIPPINE'S RESCUE OF JEWISH REFUGEES IN THE 1930'S AS PART OF THE COVERAGE OF PHILIPPINE HISTORY SUBJECT TAUGHT TO GRADE 5 AND 6 STUDENTS IN ALL NATIONAL AND REGIONAL SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator JUAN PONCE ENRILE*
- *Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE*

SBN 2994 "AN ACT RESTRUCTURING THE INCOME BRACKETS AND RATES OF TAX IMPOSED ON TAXABLE INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 24, 32, 33, 34 AND 35 OF THE 1997 NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED"

- *Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE*
- *Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS*

SBN 2995 "AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE POWERS, DUTIES AND ACCOUNTABILITIES OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW"

- *Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO*

- *Referred to the Committees on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES; and LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT*

SBN 2996 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR SAFE ACCESS IN FIRE EMERGENCIES"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP; and PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS*

SBN 2997 "AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR PROPAGANDA PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on FINANCE*

SBN 2998 "AN ACT AMENDING THE CIVIL CODE, ALSO KNOWN AS REPUBLIC ACT. NO. 386, SECTIONS 778 AND 779 ON SUCCESSION"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on WOMEN, CHILDREN, FAMILY RELATIONS AND GENDER EQUALITY*

SBN 3000 "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE LAW ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF"

- *Introduced by Senator PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS*

SBN 3001 "AN ACT ENSURING THE FREE EXERCISE BY THE PEOPLE OF THEIR RIGHT PEACEABLY TO ASSEMBLE AND PETITION THE GOVERNMENT"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS*

SBN 3003 "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 24 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA*
- *Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS*

SBN 3005 "AN ACT TO PROVIDE SURVEILLANCE RESEARCH AND SERVICES AIMED AT THE PREVENTION OF BIRTH DEFECTS"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and FINANCE*

SBN 3006 "AN ACT TO PROTECT CONSUMERS BY PROMULGATING UNIFORM MANUFACTURING STANDARDS FOR BICYCLE HELMETS AND PROMOTING ITS USE"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP*

SBN 3007 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR COMPULSORY PSYCHO-TECHNICAL DRIVER ASSESSMENT TESTS AMENDING SECTION 22 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and FINANCE*

SBN 3008 "AN ACT INTEGRATING PALLIATIVE AND HOSPICE CARE INTO THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM"

- *Introduced by Senator TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III*
- *Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE*

SBN 3009 "AN ACT MODIFYING THE COMPENSATION AND POSITION CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM OF CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL AND THE BASE PAY SCHEDULE OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators FRANKLIN M. DRILON and LOREN B. LEGARDA*
- *Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and FINANCE*

SBN 3010 "AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PREPARE AND PUBLISH ANNUALLY A CONSUMER GUIDE TO PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICES"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP; and FINANCE*

SBN 3011 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A BILL OF RIGHTS FOR AIR PASSENGERS, PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO*
- *Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and FINANCE*

SBN 3012 "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7877, ALSO KNOWN AS THE ANTI-SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT OF 1995, SECTION 3 ON THE DEFINITION OF WORK, EDUCATION OR TRAINING-RELATED SEXUAL HARASSMENT"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; and CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION*

SBN 3013 "AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT, DEMONSTRATION, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF TECHNOLOGY FOR USE IN REMOVING GREENHOUSE GASES FROM THE ATMOSPHERE AND CREATING A GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION ATMOSPHERIC REMOVAL COMMITTEE"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on CLIMATE CHANGE; ENERGY; and FINANCE*

SBN 3014 "AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR PLANTING EVIDENCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATIONS ACT"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; and PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS*

PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

PSRN 1613 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE TO NOMINATE WHANG-OD OGGAY AS A GAWAD SA MANLILIKHA NG BAYAN (GAMABA) OR NATIONAL LIVING TREASURES AWARDEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT 7335 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MANLILIKHA NG BAYAN ACT"

- *Introduced by Senator* MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

PSRN 1614 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT CENTRAL OFFICE BUILDING WORSENS TRAFFIC ALONG EDSA"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1615 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE PHILIPPINE POSTAL SAVINGS BANK, INC. FAILED TO FORECLOSE ON THE COLLATERAL OF PAST DUE ACCOUNTS AMOUNTING TO P297.176 MILLION IN 2014, RESULTING IN DELAYED EXERCISE OF OWNERSHIP OVER THE PROPERTY AND RECOVERY OF INVESTMENTS"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES

PSRN 1616 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT FOUND IRREGULARITIES IN ADVERTISING CONTRACTS WORTH A TOTAL OF P1.2 BILLION ENTERED INTO BY THE GOVERNMENT FOR ITS TOURISM PROMOTION CAMPAIGN"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on TOURISM*

PSRN 1617 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT FLAGGED THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR ITS BEAUTIFICATION OF A PASAY CITY ROTUNDA SET TO BE DEMOLISHED AND PURCHASE OF FISHING BOATS FOR YOLANDA VICTIMS IN EASTERN SAMAR"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on FINANCE*

PSRN 1618 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE TRADE AND INVESTMENT CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES FAILED TO COLLECT A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF LOAN RECEIVABLES, THUS DEPRIVING IT OF MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR ITS OPERATIONS"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES*

PSRN 1619 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE GRANTING TO THE BUGKALOT/ILONGOT CULTURAL COMMUNITIES OF

PERCENTAGE SHARES IN THE PROCEEDS OF THE CASECNAN MULTI-PURPOSE IRRIGATION AND POWER PROJECT”

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on CULTURAL COMMUNITIES; and FINANCE*

PSRN 1620 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT ON SUSPENDED AND DEFICIENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS IN ZAMBOANGA CITY IN 2014”

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC WORKS*

PSRN 1621 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT P688 MILLION IN COCONUT FARM REHABILITATION DEALS WERE AWARDED WITHOUT PUBLIC BIDDING”

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS; and AGRICULTURE AND FOOD*

PSRN 1622 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING HTE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE CITY GOVERNMENT OF PARANAQUE LOSES SOME P400 MILLION IN REAL PROPERTY TAXES YEARLY DUE TO THE OUTDATED SCHEDULE OF FAIR MARKET VALUES AND FAILURE TO CONDUCT GENERAL REVISION OF REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENTS, AND, AS OF THE END OF 2014, LOST SOME P169 MILLION IN SOCIALIZED HOUSING PROJECT COSTS”

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT*

PSRN 1623 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ABOUT THE DESIRED ECONOMIC POLICY DIRECTION OF THE PHILIPPINES WITH REGARD TO FOREIGN PARTICIPATION IN THE OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF CORPORATIONS AND FIRMS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE PHILIPPINES"

- *Introduced by Senator* FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS
- *Referred to the Committee on* ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

PSRN 1625 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED IRREGULARITIES INVOLVED IN THE P18.99 DAVAO SASA PORT MODERNIZATION PROJECT UNDER THE GOVERNMENT'S PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) PROGRAM"

- *Introduced by Senator* SERGIO R. OSMENA III
- *Referred to the Committees on* PUBLIC SERVICES and PUBLIC WORKS

PSRN 1626 "RESOLUTION URGING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO LOOK INTO THE PLIGHT OF THE FILIPINO FARMERS ESPECIALLY IN THE AREAS AFFECTED BY TYPHOON LANDO"

- *Introduced by Senator* JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- *Referred to the Committees on* BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES; and AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

PSRN 1627 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE STATUS OF VARIOUS FOREIGN ASSISTED PROJECTS INVOLVING INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMS AND DEVELOPMENT, AND TO ADDRESS VITAL ISSUES GOVERNING THEIR COMPLETION AND IMPLEMENTATION"

- *Introduced by Senator* FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC WORKS

PSRN 1628 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE DECLARATION, OR DELISTING OF NATIONAL CULTURAL TREASURES OR IMPORTANT CULTURAL PROPERTY BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CULTURAL MAPPING OF HISTORICAL SITES FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF THE NATION'S CULTURAL HERITAGE"

- *Introduced by Senator* MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- *Referred to the Committees on* EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and LOCAL GOVERNMENT

PSRN 1629 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON OXFORD ECONOMICS' LATEST STUDY THAT REVEALED ALLEGED GOVERNMENT LOSSES OF MORE THAN P22 BILLION IN EXCISE AND VAT REVENUES IN 2014 DUE TO RAMPANT CONSUMPTION OF UNTAXED CIGARETTES"

- *Introduced by Senator* MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- *Referred to the Committee on* WAYS AND MEANS

PSRN 1630 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE, AGRICULTURE AND FOOD,

AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE THREATENED DISPLACEMENT OF SOME ONE MILLION FARMERS DUE TO THE EL NINO PHENOMENON”

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committees on CLIMATE CHANGE; and AGRICULTURE AND FOOD*

PSRN 1631 “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ANDRES RICO GONZALES FOR RECEIVING THE HIGHEST HONORS AFTER GARNERING A PERFECT SCORE IN THE 2015 AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION ADMINISTERED IN THE COUNTRY ON 4 AUGUST 2015 EARNING HIM THE PETER O'HALLORAN CERTIFICATE”

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1632 “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE ISLAND OF PALAWAN FOR BEING NAMED THE WORLD'S BEST ISLAND BY CONDE NAST TRAVELER”

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1633 “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO EDUCATOR AND INNOVATOR WILLIAM MORACA FOR BEING AMONG THE FIRST AWARDEES OF THE PRINCESS MAHA CHAKRI AWARD ON 2 OCTOBER 2015 IN BANGKOK, THAILAND”

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1634 “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILMMAKER BRILLANTE MENDOZA FOR BEING HONORED BY THE JAPAN FOUNDATION ASIA CENTER IN

TOKYO INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL'S CROSSCUT ASIA WITH A FEATURE ON FIVE OF HIS FILMS"

- *Introduced by Senator* MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

PSRN 1635 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED 'LAGLAG-BALA' EXTORTION SCHEME AT THE NINOY AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1636 "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS, PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE/S TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALARMING "TANIM-BALA" INCIDENTS AS IT IS A SHAMEFUL MANIFESTATION OF ABSENCE OF ORDER IN TRANSPORT SECURITY WITH THE INTENTION THAT THE PRACTICE BE HALTED IMMEDIATELY AND THAT ORDERLINESS IN RULES AND PROCEDURES BE ESTABLISHED TO SHIELD OVERSEAS WORKERS, REGULAR TOURISTS AND FOREIGN GUESTS AND THEIR FAMILIES"

- *Introduced by Senator* GRACE L. POE
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1637 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, REGARDING REPORTS ON RAMPANT "LAGLAG BALA" EXTORTION MODUS OPERANDI INCIDENTS IN THE NINOY AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT"

- *Introduced by Senator* MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1641 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE ALLEGED EXTORTION ACTIVITIES IN PHILIPPINE AIRPORTS SUCH AS THE "TANIM BALA" OR "LAGLAG BALA" OPERATIONS WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE SAME"

- *Introduced by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO*
- *Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES*

PSRN 1642 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO LOOK INTO THE POWERS AND MANDATE THE MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, IN LIGHT OF THE ESCALATING NEWS REPORTS ON THE ALLEGED TANIM-BALA OR LAGLAG BALA EXTORTION ACTIVITIES WITHIN ITS PREMISES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF FORMULATING MEASURES, IF ANY, TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF FLIGHT PASSENGERS AGAINST THESE ABUSES"

- *Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR*
- *Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES*

PSRN 1643 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE STRONG SENSE OF THE SENATE AGAINST WHAT APPEARS TO BE DEPLORABLE ACTS THAT ARE HAPPENING WITHIN THE AIRPORT TERMINALS, PARTICULARLY THE TANIM-BALA OR LAGLAG BALA MODUS OPERANDI THAT VICTIMIZES FLIGHT PASSENGERS, ESPECIALLY OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS"

- *Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR*
- *Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES*

PSRN 1644 "RESOLUTION URGING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED LAGLAG BALA OR TANIM BALA

SCHEME AT NINOY AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (NAIA) AND MAJOR AIRPORTS WITH THE END VIEW OF REVIEWING, AMENDING AND FORMULATING AIRPORT SECURITY POLICIES, RULES, REGULATION AND LAWS”

- *Introduced by Senator* JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1645 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALLEGED MODUS OPERANDI KNOWN AS THE “LAGLAG BALA” OR “TANIM BALA”, ALLEGEDLY PERPETRATED BY SOME DOTC-OTS SCREENING OFFICERS AT THE NINOY AQUINO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (NAIA)”

- *Introduced by Senator* JUAN PONCE ENRILE
- *Referred to the Committee on* PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 1647 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE PHILIPPINE COUNCIL FOR INDUSTRY, ENERGY, AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FAILED TO LIQUIDATE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF DISBURSED FUNDS TO THE DETRIMENT OF THE STATE”

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

PSRN 1648 “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH LAW, UPHELD BY THE SUPREME COURT AS CONSTITUTIONAL, MUST BE IMPLEMENTED FULLY TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS CHRONIC MATERNAL MORTALITY IN THE PHILIPPINES”

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

PSRN 1649 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR INDIGENT PATIENTS REMAINED UNUTILIZED IN 14 HOSPITALS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN 2014"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 1650 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT P170 MILLION IN LEYTE HOSPITAL SUPPLY CONTRACTS IN 2014 WERE ANOMALOUS"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 1651 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT WESTERN VISAYAS REGION HAS SEVEN CONGESTED AND SIX EMPTY JAILS"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committees on* JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; and PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

PSRN 1652 "RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, TO SWIFTLY COME UP WITH SHORT- AND LONG-TERM PLANS FOR THE NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO AFFECTED AREAS AND PERSONS AFTER THE ONSLAUGHT OF TYPHOON "LANDO" AND

IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT A COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION PROGRAM”

- *Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE*
- *Referred to the Committees on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD; and PUBLIC WORKS and FINANCE*

PSRN 1653 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO LOOK INTO THE ALLEGED “TANIM BALA” EXTORTION ACTIVITIES PERPETRATED BY AIRPORT SECURITY PERSONNEL AGAINST PASSENGERS WITH THE END VIEW OF IMPROVING THE COMFORT AND SAFETY OF OUR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN TRAVELERS”

- *Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA*
- *Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES*

PSRN 1654 “RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE PHILIPPINE ART VENICE BIENNALE TEAM LED BY CURATOR DR. PATRICK D. FLORES, ARTISTS MANNY MONTELIBANO AND JOSE TENCE RUIZ, AND THE COORDINATING COMMITTEE, FOR SUCCESSFULLY MOUNTING AND EXHIBITING “TIE A STRING AROUND THE WORLD” AT THE PHILIPPINE PAVILION, THE COUNTRY’S ONLY NATIONAL REPRESENTATION AT THE 56TH LA BIENNALE DI VENEZIA, THE WORLD’S OLDEST AND MOST PRESTIGIOUS CONTEMPORARY ART EXPOSITION”

- *Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1655 “RESOLUTION COMMENDING JO GENNA “JUDE” MARTIN JOVER FOR BEING THE LONE FILIPINO WINNER OF THE N-PEACE AWARDS THIS YEAR”

- *Introduced by Senator TEOFISTO “TG” GUINGONA III*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1656 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED HEALTH HAZARDS OF THE HAZE IN MINDANAO"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES*

PSRN 1657 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT 86 LUMAD FAMILIES HAVE FLED THEIR HOMES IN AGUSAN DEL SUR AMID ATTACKS FROM COMMUNIST REBELS"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committees on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; and CULTURAL COMMUNITIES*

PSRN 1658 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT BOGUS JOBS ARE BEING OFFERED TO FILIPINOS IN MALAYSIA"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT*

PSRN 1659 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS SEIZED FIVE TONS OF UNDERVALUED SODIUM CYANIDE IN ORIENTAL MINDORO"

- *Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO*
- *Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS*

PSRN 1660 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT SOME 151 KILOS OF DOG MEAT WORTH MILLIONS OF PESOS WERE SEIZED FROM RESTAURANTS IN BAGUIO CITY"

- *Introduced by Senator* MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- *Referred to the Committee on* AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

PSRN 1661 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS (BLUE RIBBON) TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE RECENT REPORTS OF "LAGLAG BALA" AND "TANIM BALA" SCAM AS MEANS OF EXTORTION IN PHILIPPINE AIRPORTS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF STRENGTHENING LAWS TO CURB CORRUPTION BY REASON OF MISFEASANCE, MALFEASANCE, AND NONFEASANCE OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS"

- *Introduced by Senator* TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III
- *Referred to the Committees on* PUBLIC SERVICES; and ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS

PSRN 1662 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE INCIDENTS OF 'LAGLAG-BALA' MODUS OPERANDI IN VARIOUS PHILIPPINE AIRPORTS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INSTITUTING IMMEDIATE DISCIPLINARY ACTION OF SUSPENSION OR DISMISSAL AFTER INVESTIGATION, FILING CRIMINAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES AGAINST THE RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS, INSTITUTING REAL CHANGE IN THE STATE OF SECURITY IN PHILIPPINE AIRPORTS, AND PROTECTING OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS AND OTHER FILIPINO AND FOREIGN TRAVELLERS FROM ANY AND ALL EXTORTION, INEFFICIENCY, AND GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES IN OUR PHILIPPINE AIRPORT SYSTEM"

- *Introduced by Senator* ALAN PETER COMPANERO S. CAYETANO

- *Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS*

PSRN 1663 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, WAYS AND MEANS, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CUTTING OF AT LEAST 982 TREES IN TOLEDO CITY, CEBU WITHOUT THE NECESSARY PERMITS FROM RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES"

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES*

PSRN 1664 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PREVALENCE OF HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) IN THE COUNTRY AND THE STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINES IN MEETING THE OBJECTIVES OF THE MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS THAT AIM TO COMBAT HIV/AIDS"

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY*

PSRN 1665 "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ANN LORRAINE MANIEGO COLIS FOR HONORING THE PHILIPPINES WITH THE MISS GLOBE 2015 TITLE ON 8 OCTOBER 2015 AT THE ROSE THEATRE BRAMPTON IN TORONTO, CANADA"

- *Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID*
- *Referred to the Committee on RULES*

PSRN 1666 "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING NANCY C. CARVAJAL, HORACIO 'HOWIE' G, SEVERINO, AND MARIA TERESA 'MARITES' D. VITUG FOR

BEING NAMED THE 2015 JOURNALISTS OF THE YEAR (JOY) AWARDED BY THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC. AND PROBE MEDIA FOUNDATION, INC. (PMFI)"

- *Introduced by Senator* MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

PSRN 1667 "RESOLUTION URGING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION (PSC) AND THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE (POC), IN CONSULTATION WITH ALL THE SPORTS STAKEHOLDERS, TO CREATE A MASTER PLAN FOR THE COUNTRY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019 SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES (SEA GAMES) AND IN THE 2020 SUMMER OLYMPICS"

- *Introduced by Senator* JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
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PSRN 1668 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NON-DECLARATION OF ACTUAL SALES BY THE OPERATORS OF SMALL TOWN LOTTERY (STL) WHICH ALLEGEDLY DEFRAUDED THE PHILIPPINE CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE (PCSO) OF AT LEAST P50 BILLION A YEAR"

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PSRN 1669 "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE TO DECLARE NOVEMBER 25 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY FOR YOUTH IN CLIMATE ACTION"

- *Introduced by Senator* LOREN B. LEGARDA
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

PSRN 1670 "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING HAGEN ALEXANDER TOPACIO FOR WINNING THE COUNTRY'S FIRST EVER SILVER MEDAL AT THE 13TH ASIAN SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN KUWAIT CITY, KUWAIT LAST NOVEMBER 9, 2015 AND SETTING A NEW NATIONAL RECORD IN TRAP SHOOTING"

- *Introduced by Senator* JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- *Referred to the Committee on* RULES

COMMITTEE REPORT

CTE. REPORT NO. 284, submitted jointly by the Committees on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT and FINANCE, on Senate Bill No. 2983, with Senators FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO, RALPH G. RECTO, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, LOREN B. LEGARDA and FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS as authors thereof, on Senate Bill No. 2983 entitled "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DELINEATION OF THE SPECIFIC FOREST LANDS LIMITS OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 604, 786, 1101 and 1900, taking into consideration House Bill No. 4988.

- *Sponsored by Senator* FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 285, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on WAYS AND MEANS and AGRICULTURE AND FOOD, on Senate Bill No. 2987, with Senators SERGIO R. OSMENA III, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and

CYNTHIA A. VILLAR as authors thereof, on Senate Bill No. 2987 entitled "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 109 (A) AND (F) OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9337, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5713, and taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2749.

- *Sponsored by Senators* SERGIO R. OSMENA III, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 286, submitted jointly by the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY, SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT, WAYS AND MEANS, YOUTH and FINANCE, on Senate Bill No. 2990, with Senators MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO, PIA S. CAYETANO, LOREN B. LEGARDA, CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA, MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID, GRACE L. POE and TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III as authors thereof, on Senate Bill No. 2990 entitled "AN ACT PROMULGATING A COMPREHENSIVE POLICY IN ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH RARE DISEASE," recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 1868, 2098, 2279, 2383 and 2407, and taking into consideration Senate Resolution Nos. 865 and 1584, 03 September 2014 Privilege Speech of Pia S. Cayetano and House Bill No. 5973.

- *Sponsored by Senators* PIA S. CAYETANO and TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 287, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES and FINANCE, on Senate Bill No. 2999, with Senators ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO and LOREN B. LEGARDA as authors thereof, on Senate Bill No. 2999 entitled "AN ACT MANDATING THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED LIMITERS AND SETTING SPEED LIMITS FOR PUBLIC UTILITY BUSES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its

approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 1133 and 2110 taking into consideration Senate Resolution No. 445 and House Bill No. 5911.

- *Sponsored by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 288, submitted by the Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS, the partial report by its sub-committee, on Proposed Senate Resolution No. 826, introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES, entitled "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND INVESTIGATIONS OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALLEGED P1.601 BILLION OVERPRICING OF THE 11-STOREY NEW MAKATI CITY HALL II PARKING BUILDING, THE REPORTED OVERPRICING OF THE 22-STOREY MAKATI CITY HALL BUILDING AT THE AVERAGE COST OF P240,000.00 PER SQUARE METER AND RELATED ANOMALIES PURPORTEDLY COMMITTED BY FORMER AND CURRENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES," recommending the adoption of its findings and approval of the same.

- *Sponsored by Senator TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 289, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD, TOURISM and WAYS AND MEANS, on Senate Bill No. 3002, with Senators ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV, MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and CYNTHIA A. VILLAR as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROMOTION OF FARM TOURISM IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill No. 802, 2184, 2234, 2673 and 2766, taking into consideration House bill No. 5299.

- *Sponsored by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 290, submitted by the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY, on House Bill No. 5307, introduced by Representatives MARIANO MICHAEL JR. M. VELARDE, EUFRANIO "FRANNY" M.D. C. ERIGUEL, SOL ARAGONES, ROSE MARIE "BABY" J. ARENAS, ROMMEL C. AMATONG and ANGELINA "HELEN" M.D. DL. TAN, et. al., entitled "AN ACT DECLARING THE FOURTH WEEK OF SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL THYROID CANCER AWARENESS WEEK," without amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 291, submitted jointly by the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY and FINANCE, on Senate Bill No. 2767, introduced by Senator TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III, entitled "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, LOCATED IN CEBU CITY, FROM EIGHT HUNDRED (800) TO ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1200) BED CAPACITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE," recommending its approval with amendments, taking into consideration House Bill No. 5276.

- *Sponsored by Senator TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 292, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on PUBLIC WORKS, JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS, WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE, on Senate Bill No. 3004, with Senators FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS, CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID, TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III, AQUILINO KOKO III L. PIMENTEL, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and LOREN B. LEGARDA as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PROCESS OF ACQUIRING THE RIGHT OF WAY FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS REPEALING FOR THIS PURPOSE

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8974, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, SITE, OR LOCATION FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 2145, 2180 and 2447.

- *Sponsored by Senator FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 293, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5591, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT EXTENDING FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE TERM OF THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO TARLAC ELECTRIC, INC. (FORMERLY KNOWN AS TARLAC ENTERPRISES, INC.) TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN AN ELECTRIC LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF TARLAC, PROVINCE OF TARLAC, PROVIDED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7606," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 294, submitted by the Committee on FINANCE, on House Bill No. 6132, with Senators LOREN B. LEGARDA, SERGIO R. OSMENA III, RALPH G. RECTO, TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III, CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND AND SIXTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senators LOREN B. LEGARDA, SERGIO R. OSMENA III, RALPH G. RECTO, TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III, CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, JUAN EDGARDO*

- "SONNY" M. ANGARA, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV, and all members of the Senate Committee on Finance
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 295, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 6012, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BELL TELECOMMUNICATION PHILIPPINES, INC., AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7692, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING TO BELL TELECOMMUNICATION PHILIPPINES, INC., A FRANCHISE TO INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 296, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 4507, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE OF CONTEL COMMUNICATIONS, INCORPORATED, ASSIGNEE OF THE GRANTEE UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-NINE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SEVENTY-FOUR HUNDRED AND ONE, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE CONCEPCION INDUSTRIES, INCORPORATED A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, AND OPERATE RADIOTELEPHONE STATIONS FOR THE TRANSMISSION AND RECEPTION OF RADIO COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 297, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5592, with Senators SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY (PHILIPPINES), INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8115, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY (PHILIPPINES), INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE NON-COMMERCIAL RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 298, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5982, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS AND EXPANDING TO RADIO/TELEVISION BROADCASTING, NATIONAL IN SCOPE, THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES, THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO MABUHAY BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7395, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE MABUHAY BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE ISLAND OF LUZON AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 299, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5940, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO PROGRESSIVE BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7163, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8162," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 300, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5154, with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT GRANTING THE PIPOL BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

CTE. REPORT NO. 301, submitted by the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES, on House Bill No. 5582 with Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III as the author thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO RADIO VERITAS-GLOBAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INCORPORATED TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN FOR RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, CULTURAL AND COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SEVENTY-FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-NINE TO ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

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